The above provisional storage cost allowed to the States is lower than the storage cost paid by FCI to CWC/SWCs for storing foodgrains.

Allocation of foodgrains to Andhra Pradesh

804. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the allocation of foodgrains to Andhra Pradesh from the Central Pool during 2001-2002, quarter-wise;

(b) whether State Government has made any demand to enhance allocation of foodgrains to the State; and

(c) if so, the steps taken in response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) A statement showing quarter-wise allocation of foodgrains to Andhra Pradesh from Central Pool during 2001-2002 under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS), Food for Wrok (FFW), Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRTY) and Drought Relief is given at the Statement enclosed. (*See below*).

(b) No request has been received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh to enhance allocation of foodgrains under TPDS to the State.

(c) Does not arise.

Statement

Quarter-Wise allocation of foodgrains to Andhra Pradesh from the Central Pool during 2001-2002

(Figures in tonnes)

	TPDS	FFW	SGRY	Special additional allocation for Drought Relief at BPL rate
1	2	3	4	5
RICE				
April 2001-June, 01	7,14,870	—	—	—
July-2001-Sept., 01	6,78,630	3,00,000	—	—
Oct.2001-Spt., 01	6,34,710	9,50,000	1,17,580	4,90,560

1	2	3	4	5
Jan. 2002-March 02	6,34,710	4,00,000	58,670	—
Total	26,62,920	16,50,00	1,76,250	4,90,560
WHEAT				
April 2001-June, 01	24,000			
July-2001-Sept., 01	24,000			
Oct. 2001-Dec., 01	24,000			
Jan. 2002-March, 02	24,000			
Total	96,000			

Distribution of sugar fortified with Vitamin-A

805. SHRI R. P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to distribute subsidised sugar fortified with Vitamin-A to families living Below the Poverty Line (BPL) through the Public Distribtution Sytem (PDS);

(b) if so, the details of the proposal, including the price fixed and the quantity to be supplied to the BPL households;

(c) whether nutritional efficiency of the fortified sugar has been tested; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD): (a) At present, there is no proposal to distribute sugar fortified with Vitamin 'A' to families living Below Poverty Line (BPL) through the Public Distribution System (PDS).

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) and (d) M/s. Shirpur Shetkari SSK Ltd., Shirpur, Distt. Dhule, Maharashtra have set up a Pilot Plant of one tonne per hour for production of sugar fortified with Vitamin 'A' with the financial assistance provided by the Government of India from Sugar Development Fund (SDF) and Micronutrient Initiative (MI), International Development Research Centre (IDRC), a Public Corporation of the Government of Canada. The efficacy studies of the sugar fortified with Vitamin 'A' have been undertaken by the National Institute of Nutrition, Hyderabad.